Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO				Complete if Known		
				Application Number	10/720,587	
			CLOSURE	Filing Date	November 24, 2003	
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT			PPLICANT	First Named Inventor	Steven N. Tischer	
				Group Art Unit	3621	
(use as many sheets as necessary)				Examiner Name	Unassigned	
Sheet	1	of	1	Attorney Docket Number	BS030353	

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials *	Cite No.1	U.S. Patent Documer	Name of Patentee or Applicant	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Releval Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	
		Number Kind Cod	e <sup>2</sup> of Cited Document			
	Ī	20030088778	Lindqvist	5/8/2003		
		20030043815	Tinsley	3/6/2003		
		20030012376	Wee	1/16/2003		
		20020164018	Wee	11/7/2002		
		20010029544	Cousins	10/11/2001		
		6567375	Balachandran	5/20/2003		
	Ţ.	6522883	Titmuss	2/18/2003		
		6519693	Debey	2/11/2003		
		6456594	Kaplan	9/24/2002		
		6385198	Ofek	5/7/2002		
		6178170	Duree	1/23/2001		
		6104718	Christie .	8/15/2000		
		6016307	Kaplan	1/18/2000		
		6002689	Christie	12/14/1999		
		5790176	Craig	8/4/1998		

OTHER PRIOR ART NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials *	Cite No.1	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T 2		
			•		
	-				

Examiner Signature	Date Considered	

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

4

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Unique citation designation number. <sup>2</sup> Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.